

## CUMMING WEDS.

### He and Miss Garner Bride and Groom of To-Day.

## Thirteen Persons See the Ceremony at Holy Trinity Church.

## Honeymoon in Scotland, American Visit in the Fall.

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LONDON, June 10.—Hardly less interesting than the social comedy which has just ended in the trial of the famous baccarat case, in this city, is the romance which follows it, with the principal in the comedy as its hero.

Sir William Gordon-Cumming, the unsuccessful plaintiff in the baccarat suit, was married in the Church of the Holy Trinity in Sloane square this morning to Miss Florence Garner, of New York.

There were exactly thirteen people in the church when the Baronet and Miss Garner were joined by the minister. The bride and groom were the only two who were not members of the church, and the other eleven were guests.

Six persons came with the wedding party, including Gordon-Cumming's sister and Miss Garner's aunt, accompanied by Lord Vernon. The twelfth man was the sexton, who did not know until the ceremony was half over that the couple were to be getting married.

The thirteenth man was the vicar, who was known to the bride and groom. The wedding was held at 10 o'clock, and the ceremony was very quiet.

As it was, fifty or sixty guests, observing that something unusual was going on, drifted into the church during the ceremony, attracted merely by idle curiosity.

Both the bride and groom had wished for the utmost privacy and the latter had put a pump fee into the pocket of the assistant rector who conducted the ceremony, with the understanding that he was not to let anybody look at the marriage register nor to give any information to the local reporters.

If this wedding had taken place before the Trinity Court scandal, Westminster Abbey would scarcely have held the fashionable crowd that would have been eager to attend.

All the Prince of Wales's swagart set would have been there to surround Cumming, while Miss Garner would have been supported by the entire American colony of London.

As it was, human decency could not have arranged a more secret or unpretentious ceremony than the wedding of to-day.

The service occupied less than five minutes and was performed by a third-rate rector, whom neither party ever saw before in their lives.

There were no music, flowers nor friends, yet despite all this Miss Garner looked not only cheerful but even radiant in her dress.

Sir Gordon-Cumming was arrayed as though going to the Ascot races, not the slightest thought about his appearance indicating the bridegroom.

After the ceremony, he and his wife drove immediately to a railway station, to take a train for Scotland.

It will possibly be some years before they reappear in London, or at any rate in London society.

That Cumming is publicly disgraced, no one knows better than he does, and in marrying him Miss Garner has married a man whom most of her former friends on this side of the Atlantic cannot invite to their houses.

It is even worse, in many respects, than the social disgrace which overcame Sir Charles Dike; yet with true American grit Miss Garner married the man she loved, and is now off with him on the honeymoon.

All the big London dailies, with the exception of the *Daily Telegraph*, do not hesitate to severely censure the Prince of Wales for the disgraceful figure he has cut in the baccarat case. Even the *Times* is against him, and that paper says the serious public, who form the backbone of England, resent his conduct.

In the big democratic cities of the northern and midland counties of England the press is almost unanimous against the Prince, calling him a gambler and denouncing his baccarat exclusive set as a gambling, baccarat-playing set.

It is difficult for Americans to realize what the verdict of yesterday means to Cumming. It is absolute disgrace and ignominy. He will not be allowed to resign from the army, but will be expelled, and his expulsion will be formally published in the Army Gazette.

Some of his club members permit him to resign, but in the majority of them the verdict means expulsion.

Private houses in London will be closed to him for years to come. He will walk the streets branded with the scarlet letter of the courtier's cheat. It is a terrible fate for a man of his position.

Miss Garner's steadfast faith.

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## HIS FIRST HABEAS CORPUS.

### Lawyer Clarkin's Expose for Not Producing Mamie Mulligan.

## Scathingly Rebuked by Judge Lawrence and Given Another Chance.

Lawyer Philip J. Clarkin, at a sorry figure this morning before Justice Lawrence in Part II, Supreme Court, Special Term, where he appeared without a lawyer, and in the presence of the court, was rebuked for not producing Mamie Mulligan, whom he had been ordered to produce, and also to show cause why he should not be punished for the apparently strange manner in which he obtained possession of her.

The child had been given in charge of the Third Order of Sisters of St. Francis at York, together with her sister and mother, of the Gerry society. The children were neglected by their mother, who was sent to prison for three months. After her release she tried to obtain possession of Mamie, her favorite, but the courts refused to surrender the little one on the ground that the mother was not a fit person to have charge of her.

May 15 last the mother made another attempt to get back her child. She employed lawyer Clarkin to swear out a writ of habeas corpus. He went to the Sisters of St. Francis, got the child and never had the writ disposed of.

This morning Justice Lawrence, in the presence of the court, rebuked Clarkin for not producing Mamie because her parents refused to give her up.

"They say she is sick, and will not even surrender her on the Court's order. I want the Court to authorize me to take the child by force."

"You violated the law in the first instance," said Justice Lawrence, severely. "You had no right to turn the girl over to her mother. I look to you to produce her. If you say you can't, you may consider yourself committed for contempt of Court."

Clarkin, who is a young man, and young in the profession, asked for an explanation. He said he served the writ of habeas corpus on the Sisters, and they placed Mamie in his care. He had her in court next day. The Sisters failed to appear, and he did not know that the Gerry society was interested in the case. He asked the court to call on the mother and the Third Order of St. Francis, and as there was no answer he took the little girl to her mother.

"You know very well that was irregular," replied the court. "A court order is not the Court's. You may consider yourself committed for contempt of Court."

"No young man," was the scathing answer, "who has passed his examination at this bar and who has been looked into by the court, should be rebuked for making such a mistake. He should be rebuked for making such a mistake."

The Queen's Deep Feeling.

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LONDON, June 10.—The Queen's deep feeling for the baccarat case, and the public opinion is so decidedly in favor of Sir Gordon-Cumming, that it is not unlikely that the court-martial in his case, instead of being merely a reiteration of the finding of the civil tribunal, will be made an independent and more searching inquiry into the facts.

It is reported that the Queen is so disgusted with the whole affair, that Lord Curzon may be asked to resign his office in the Household. So far as the Wilson office is concerned, their career at Court may be said to be finished.

"Times" Story of the Wedding.

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LONDON, June 10.—The *Times* says of the Cumming-Garner wedding, of this morning: "In consequence of the secrecy maintained with regard to the arrangements for the ceremony there were but few spectators and the wedding was of the most quiet character."

"There were no bridesmaids, but the bridegroom was accompanied by Major Vesey Dawson, of the Coldstream Guards, who acted as best man. The bride was accompanied to the church by Lord Thurlow and Lady Middleton. She wore a plain white dress of French gray cloth and a black straw hat, carrying her gloves in her hand."

"The Rev. Mr. Walker, senior curate of Holy Trinity, performed the first part of the ceremony in the morning chapel at the altar steps, while the concluding portion was gone through with at the altar table, the music of the organ making the responses in clear, distinct tones. The former, who was given away by Lord Thurlow, was wreathed in smiles."

"The register was signed by Lord and Lady Middleton, Lord Thurlow, and Major Vesey Dawson."

"On leaving the church the party drove to the Middleton's residence, where a wedding breakfast was served. This afternoon Sir Gordon and his bride leave London for Wallington Hall, North, the seat of Lord Middleton, where they will remain until the end of the week."

Cumming's American Bride.

Miss Garner is a very lovely and attractive New York girl, who has been living in London about four years. She is the eldest daughter of the late William Garner, who, with his wife, was drowned in July, 1876, through the exploding of his yacht, the *Mohawk*, a catastrophe that is still remembered with horror by the large social acquaintance of the couple of this city.

After the death of her father, Miss Garner, an English army officer, was on record at the time of the accident, but was rescued by Seymour Crosby. By her second marriage, she was married to the late William Garner, who was killed in the same disaster.

Mr. and Mrs. William Garner at their death left two very young daughters, and for several years those girls have lived in London with their mother, Mrs. Francis C. Lawrence. Mrs. Lawrence is a sister of William Garner and left New York about 1880 to establish her residence in England. Her daughter, it will be remembered, married Lord Vernon something more than five years ago, and this brilliant alliance rested still further to identify this branch of the Garner family with London and London life.

After marrying her daughter into the English nobility, New York society people were surprised when the announcement came over the wires that the young lady, who was on the point of attaining another chapter in this fascinating story of international alliances, following the announcement of the engagement, however, came news that it had been broken, and with the news came a deal of picturesque gossip purporting to account for the breaking of the match.

The stories were chiefly to the effect that the match had been declared off through the intervention of Mrs. Lawrence, who was at first credited with having brought it about, and it was intimated that this opposition sprang from the disinclination of Mrs. Lawrence to see the very considerable fortune of her niece, amounting, it is said to over \$1,000,000, go out of the immediate control of the family.

Since the opening of the baccarat scandal case in court, Sir Gordon-Cumming has denied that he and Miss Garner were to be wed, and then came the statement that on Friday last Miss Garner had herself obtained the necessary official authority, and that the wedding would be solemnized at once. It will be remembered that her sister, Miss Lila, was married in Paris in March last to the Marquis de Breteuil.

## GLUES ALL POINT TO MURDER.

### Mystery of the Death of a Beautiful Dressmaker at Camden.

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CLAMOR, N. J., June 10.—The mystery in this city is lying the body of a beautiful young woman, which was found yesterday morning floating in the Delaware River opposite the shipyard at the foot of Erie street.

Although the body has been identified by a dentist as that of Marie Thompson, a Philadelphia dressmaker's assistant, the circumstances of her death are still shrouded in mystery, and the police authorities, both of Camden and Philadelphia, who are investigating the matter, are as yet unable to decide whether it is a case of suicide, or that a brutal murder was committed.

From the facts already ascertained it seems probable that a shocking crime has been perpetrated, and the police are following up clues which may lead to the speedy solution of the mystery.

The body was found at low water yesterday morning floating near Jersey from Morris and Matthe's wharf by some of the men employed in the shipyard.

Suspicion had first been aroused by the finding of a woman's black felt hat, trimmed with ostrich plumes and a pocketbook, containing a check, gloves, and a small leather satchel in some of the debris in the shipyard, a few rods above.

Thomas Holland, an ice cartman, who found these articles, turned them over to the authorities, and it was at once suspected that a suicide had been committed. The articles when found, were in a very strange and disordered condition, and it was suspected that they had been placed carefully upon the shore.

Officer Cable, who was sent to make a search for the body, discovered it shortly afterwards. It was towed ashore and taken to the morgue, where an examination was made by County Physician and Professor Hildway.

Traces were discovered on the lower limbs, above and below the knee, but there were no other marks of violence. A red streak around the throat was supposed to have been caused by a tightly fitting collar.

The body was that of a very comely girl, about twenty-one years of age. She had long, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, and her form was exquisitely moulded. Her only blemish was a mole on the under side of her right wrist.

Her clothing was well made, though not expensive—a dark Jersey, black cashmere dress, blue silk stockings, and a pair of black shoes. She was wearing a black velvet collar, and a small gold chain around her neck.

The first evidence discovered by the police when they came to the theory of murder was furnished by the story of Mrs. Margaret Coleman, who lives near the foot of Beach street, directly opposite the place where the clothing was found.

She says that while looking from her window, between 12 and 1 o'clock Monday night, her attention was attracted by the sound of voices in the direction of the river.

She was able to distinguish two men and a woman, standing on the pier shed wharf. The woman was talking to the men, and the men were talking to each other. She saw the woman enter a car and drive away.

There then was a splash, and the two men ran off through the bushes. Mrs. Coleman's story is somewhat disjointed as to further details of what she saw and heard, but she sticks to the cry and the splash.

She does not explain why she did not raise an alarm at once, instead of waiting till the next morning before telling her story.

From the fact that the body was found in the river, it was discovered that the girl lived in Philadelphia and had worked for several weeks for Mrs. J. Cyrus Elenborn, a dressmaker at 1829 North Eighth street, Philadelphia. She was sent to Camden after her death.

Carrie came to live with Mrs. Elenborn six weeks ago, and had previously lived at the residence of Mrs. Florence Butler, at 229 Wood street, Philadelphia.

It was also ascertained by the police that the girl had visited this house, where she had her trunk, Monday night about 9 o'clock, when she put on a change of underclothing. She then went away, and no one saw her since.

Mrs. Elenborn says that she knew of no other persons who had come to her house, and that she had no other visitors. She also says that she had no other visitors.

From Mrs. Butler's house the girl was traced to the Philadelphia and Camden ferry. Charles Humphries, who lives at 1010 North 10th street, saw the body in the Morgue and identified it as that of the girl whom he had seen in company with two men and another woman Monday night.

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